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2009/9

Annual report of the Administrator, including the operationalization and extension of the UNDP strategic plan, 2008-2011

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note of* the report on the annual report of the Administrator, including the operationalization and extension of the strategic plan, 2008-2011 (DP/2009/11);

2. *Recalls* General Assembly resolution 63/232 on operational activities for development, which, inter alia, decided to change the comprehensive policy review of operational activities from a triennial to a quadrennial cycle in order to better provide policy guidance to the United Nations funds and programmes and the specialized agencies and urged the funds and programmes to carry out any changes required to align their planning cycles with the quadrennial comprehensive policy review, including the implementation of midterm reviews as necessary;

3. *Recalls* its decision 2008/15, and *also recalls* its decision 2008/14, which, inter alia, urged UNDP to give top priority to achieving the Millennium Development Goals and eradicating poverty, and requested UNDP to include in future annual reports of the Administrator a comprehensive comparative analysis of its spending for United Nations system coordination and programming;

4. *Notes with concern* that 'earmarked' resources have continued to far exceed the regular resources of UNDP, and that core resources, because of their untied nature, form the bedrock of UNDP finances;

5. *Requests* the Administrator to include in future reports: (a) information on challenges to the implementation of the strategic vision and the related focus areas of the strategic plan, 2008-2013, and show how UNDP plans to address those challenges; (b) information on the consequences and remedial action foreseen to achieve the agreed objectives; (c) detailed information on the contribution of UNDP to the implementation of the management and accountability framework of the United Nations development and resident coordinator system, including the functional firewall of the resident coordinator system; and (d) a summary table listing project evaluations and outcome evaluations conducted in the previous year;

6. *Urges* UNDP to continue to strengthen the annual report, starting in 2010, to integrate information on its contributions to the development outcomes of the strategic plan and, in that regard, *supports* the UNDP plan to provide more in-depth analysis, starting in programme areas with higher demand;

7. *Extends* the UNDP strategic plan, 2008-2011, including the integrated financial resources framework and relevant UNDP global and regional programmes, to 2013;

8. *Requests* the Administrator to submit to the Executive Board, at its annual session 2011, a midterm review of the extended strategic plan, 2008-2013, including the integrated financial resources framework and the relevant UNDP global and regional programmes;

9. *Also requests* the Administrator to submit to the Executive Board, at its first regular session 2013, a cumulative review of the extended strategic plan, 2008-2013, prior to the submission of a draft of the UNDP strategic plan, 2014-2017, at the annual session 2013, and ahead of its formal submission at the second regular session 2013.

2 June 2009

2009/10
Status of regular resources funding commitments to UNDP and its funds and programmes for 2009 and onwards

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note of* the report on the status of regular resources funding commitments to UNDP and its funds and programmes for 2009 and onwards (DP/2009/12);

2. *Notes* that UNDP has been able to meet the first annual funding target (2008) for regular ('core') resources set out in its strategic plan, covering the period 2008-2011;

3. *Recalls* General Assembly resolution 62/208 on the triennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system, *reiterates* that regular resources form the bedrock of UNDP finances, and *requests* all countries that have not yet done so to make contributions to regular resources for 2009;

4. *Further notes*, with concern, that according to current UNDP projections and subject to further exchange rate fluctuations, contributions to UNDP regular resources are expected to fall to $965 million from the 2008 level, and therefore not reach the targeted $1.25 billion in 2009 in addition to being highly unpredictable for 2010, and *calls upon* UNDP to hold an informal consultation with the Board on a strategy to address the projected funding gap;

5. *Stresses* that the financial crisis should not diminish the capacity of UNDP to assist countries in achieving their development goals; and *recognizes* that strengthening the role and capacity of UNDP to assist countries in achieving their development goals requires an increase in UNDP resources in line with the projections calculated in its strategic plan, 2008-2011 and an expansion of its resource base on a continuous, more predictable and assured basis, as well as continuing improvement in UNDP reporting on its effectiveness, efficiency, coherence and results;

6. *Stresses* the importance of a stable, predictable base of regular resources and encourage Member States that are in a position to do so to announce pledges, on a multi-year basis if feasible, and payment schedules, and to adhere to such pledges and payment schedules thereafter;

2 June 2009

2009/11
Annual report on evaluation in UNDP

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note of* the report on evaluation in UNDP (DP/2009/13);

2. *Welcomes* the additional information and analysis on the evaluation functions and activities of the United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF), the United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM) and the United Nations Volunteers programme, as well as their actions in strengthening evaluation through dedicated units, the development of evaluation tools and guidelines, and attention to evaluation follow-up;

3. *Further welcomes* the enhanced and harmonized methodology of the assessment of development results, as well as their greater coverage and timeliness to improve their value in the planning of new country programmes;

4. *Recognizes* that UNDP has strengthened evaluation oversight through the issuance of directives reinforcing the roles and responsibilities of regional bureaux and country offices and the inclusion of an indicator on management response compliance in the management 'dashboard';

5. *Requests* UNDP to address the issues raised by the evaluations;

6. *Notes* the decline in the total number of decentralized evaluations, and in this regard *requests* UNDP to strengthen decentralized evaluation capacity to monitor and evaluate programmes at

the country level and to increase the use of these evaluations as the basis for decision-making for future improvements, taking into account the need to support regions and focus areas with lower evaluation coverage and higher resource levels;

7. *Notes* the decline in country programme compliance with undertaking outcome evaluations, and *requests* UNDP to improve compliance through the establishment and appropriate resourcing of achievable country programme evaluation plans, including the resourcing of decentralized outcome evaluations from programme resources;

8. *Notes* the continuing challenge of the quality of decentralized evaluations, and *emphasizes* the need for UNDP to improve programme planning and results-based management in order to improve the design and methodology of decentralized evaluations;

9. *Acknowledges* the increase in dedicated monitoring and evaluation specialists in 2008, and *encourages* UNDP to continue professionalizing the function through improvements in dedicated personnel and their sustainability to address the fact that some programming units are without such expertise;

10. *Notes* the slight improvement in the submission of management responses to decentralized evaluations, and *encourages* UNDP to further improve the submission and tracking of management responses to improve accountability and transparency on evaluation follow-up;

11. *Further requests* UNDP to support national evaluation capacity development;

12. *Recalls* General Assembly resolution 62/208, which encourages the strengthening of evaluation activities, with particular focus on development results, including through the promotion of collaborative approaches to evaluation, including joint evaluations; and in this regard *encourages* UNDP to continue to conduct joint evaluations with other United Nations organizations while retaining a focus on the accountability of UNDP;

13. *Approves* the programme of work for 2009-2010 proposed by the Evaluation Office.

2 June 2009

2009/12

Annual report of UNCDF and progress report on the implementation of the strategic partnership between UNCDF and UNDP

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note of* the annual report of the Executive Secretary of the United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF) (DP/2009/19) and *notes* the programmatic and operational results contained therein;

2. *Welcomes* the concrete and scalable contributions by UNCDF towards localizing the Millennium Development Goals in the least developed countries, by providing investment capital and technical assistance to build local development and promote inclusive microfinance services that benefit poor households and small and micro enterprises;

3. *Reiterates* its support for the proposed UNCDF programming and funding arrangements, 2008-2011, presented at the first regular session 2008, and encourages Member States in a position to do so to contribute to UNCDF regular resources or by means of multi-year thematic contributions at the level necessary to implement the UNCDF investment plan, 2008-2011, which would allow UNCDF to expand its services and investment support to from 38 to 45 least developed countries;

4. *Recommends* that UNDP and UNCDF further strengthen their strategic partnership as outlined in document DP/2009/20, and *requests* that they report to the Board regularly, including at its annual session 2011 on the challenges and lessons learned in this regard.

2 June 2009

2009/13
Annual report of the Executive Director of UNIFEM and extension of its strategic plan

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note of* the annual report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM) (DP/2009/21) and its corrigendum (DP/2009/21/Corr.1/Rev.1), and the information on its strategic plan, 2008-2011, contained in the report;

2. *Recognizes* the contribution of UNIFEM in supporting programme countries as they advance agreed development priorities, including the Millennium Development Goals, as well as assisting countries in linking progress on the Goals with efforts to implement the Beijing Platform for Action and the United Nations Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women;

3 *Requests* UNIFEM, in its annual report to the Executive Board, to include qualitative and quantitative information on progress and challenges toward achieving the goals and outcomes of its strategic plan, using the indicators defined in the plan.

4. *Recognizes* the efforts of UNIFEM to track performance, progress and gaps more effectively, and *requests* the Executive Director to continue to improve the linkage between outputs and outcomes in the annual report in order to better demonstrate the impact of UNIFEM activities;

5. *Commends* UNIFEM for having surpassed the projections for resource mobilization in 2008 and the expansion of its partnerships with bilateral donors, civil society and private sector partners, and *encourages* the Fund to continue to broaden its resource base and to seek stronger partnerships in order to meet the resource mobilization targets in its strategic plan, paying particular attention to its core resources;

6. *Takes note of* the briefing note on criteria and methodology for regular ('core') resources allocation (annex 3 to DP/2009/21) and the letter addressed to the UNDP Administrator by the Chair of the Consultative Committee of UNIFEM on 27 May 2009 (annex 2 to DP/2009/21) and following consultation with Member States *decides* to consider them at the second regular session 2009;

7. *Encourages* UNIFEM to continue to cooperate with all relevant United Nations entities to further promote gender equality and the empowerment of women;

8. *Extends* the UNIFEM strategic plan, 2008-2011, including the integrated financial resources framework, to 2013;

9. *Requests* the Executive Director to submit to the Executive Board, at its annual session 2011, a midterm review of the extended strategic plan, 2008-2013, including the integrated financial resources framework and the relevant UNIFEM global and regional programmes;

10. *Also requests* the Executive Director to submit to the Executive Board, at its first regular session 2013, a cumulative review of the extended strategic plan, 2008-2013, prior to the submission of a draft of the UNIFEM strategic plan, 2014-2017, at the annual session 2013, and ahead of its formal submission at the second regular session 2013.

2 June 2009

2009/14
Annual report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Office for Project Services

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note of* the annual report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS) (DP/2009/22);

2. *Welcomes* the progress of UNOPS towards greater effectiveness and efficiency in its business practices;

3. *Takes note of* the UNOPS contributions to United Nations operational activities and results, often in the most challenging of environments;

4. *Also takes note of* rising demand for UNOPS services, as demonstrated by its record business acquisition, and indications of growing professionalism, as suggested by recent positive survey trends and client satisfaction;

5. *Encourages* UNOPS to integrate additional information on and analysis of its client satisfaction surveys into future reports.

29 May 2009

2009/15
Reports of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS on internal audit and oversight

The Executive Board

1 *Takes note of:* (a) the UNDP report on internal audit and investigations (DP/2009/23); (b) the report of the Ethics Office (DP/2009/25); (c) the report on UNFPA internal audit and oversight activities in 2008 (DP/FPA/2009/5); and (d) the report of the United Nations Office for Project Services on internal audit services to the organization in 2008 (DP/2009/24);

2. *Welcomes* the focus on key and recurrent management issues, the clarity and format of the recommendations, and the risk-based audit planning outlined in the internal audit reports;

3. *Welcomes* the inclusion in the respective audit and oversight reports of key findings, of unresolved audit recommendations and explanations pertaining to findings that have remained unresolved for 18 months or more;

4. *Recalls* decision 2008/13 on General Assembly resolution 62/208, *takes note* of actions undertaken by UNDP and UNFPA to further strengthen the national execution modality and national ownership, and *requests* UNDP and UNFPA to address all operational issues identified in the audit reports, with particular attention given to capacity-building;

5. *Recalls* decision 2008/37, which inter alia, stipulated the procedure for the disclosure of internal audit reports, and *requests* UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS to:

(a) Include in future annual reports comprehensive information on disclosure, including the number of internal audit reports disclosed and their titles; and

(b) Provide the concerned governments with adequate time to review and comment on the internal audit reports, prior to the disclosure;

6. *Endorses* the decision of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS to defer implementation of the International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS) by 2012, and requests the Administrator of UNDP and the Executive Directors of UNFPA and UNOPS to commit, as a matter of priority, to adopting IPSAS no later than 2012 and submitting to the Board their IPSAS-compliant financial statements for the year 2012 at the second regular session 2013;

7. *Requests* UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS to make their IPSAS implementation plans available on their respective websites, and to update the Executive Board on a regular basis until the financial statements are submitted at the second regular session 2013;

8. *Requests* UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS to include in future reports multi-year comparisons of trends in audit issues;

9. *Shares* the concern of UNDP and UNFPA management on the recurrent findings outlined in documents DP/2009/23 and DP/FPA/2009/5 relating to project management, programme management, and monitoring and evaluation, *welcomes* the ongoing efforts of UNDP and UNFPA management to address those systemic weaknesses, and *looks forward to* significant improvements in audit findings relating to those areas by 2010, to be reported to the Executive Board at its annual session 2011, through the internal audit reports of UNDP and UNFPA;

10. *Requests* UNDP management and UNFPA management to inform the Executive Board on strategies and activities they have implemented to address the recurrent audit findings identified in documents DP/2009/23 and DP/FPA/2009/5;

With regard to UNDP,

11. *Welcomes* the continued improvement in the internal audit coverage of UNDP country offices and headquarters units, *encourages* UNDP to expand its audit coverage of headquarters units, and *notes with concern* the number of country office audits, which gave rise to an unsatisfactory audit rating;

12. *Notes* the decreasing number of audit recommendations that remain outstanding after more than 18 months, and *requests* UNDP to maintain its follow-up efforts for implementing those recommendations;

13. *Notes with appreciation* the significant progress made in the timely submission of audit reports covering projects executed by non-governmental organizations and/or national governments;

14. *Takes note of* the annual report of the Audit Advisory Committee for 2008;

15. With reference to paragraph 9 above, *welcomes* the progress made in addressing the recurrent findings on audit issues identified in document DP/2009/23, including weaknesses in procurement, asset management and financial resources, and *requests* UNDP to address those issues as a matter of priority and in future planning efforts in country offices and at headquarters.

With regard to UNFPA,

16. *Expresses support* for the continued strengthening of the accountability and assurance process in UNFPA, *and urges* the Executive Director to continue to strengthen risk-based audit planning, adopt an internal control framework in line with internationally recognized best practices, implement enterprise risk management, fill vacant posts in the Division for Oversight Services to ensure appropriate audit coverage, and ensure that the level of resources made available to the Division is within the range recommended by the Joint Inspection Unit in report JIU/REP/2006/2;

17. *Recalls* the provisions of article XII of the financial rules and regulations of the United Nations on external audit, particularly financial regulation 12.6, and *stresses* that all agreements on funding should be in accordance with General Assembly resolutions and Executive Board decisions;

18. *Reiterates* its request to the Executive Director to take the necessary measures to ensure compliance with UNFPA policies, rules and regulations.

With regard to UNOPS

19. *Welcomes* the progress made to increase the internal audit capacity of the organization;

20. *Welcomes* the increased internal audit coverage in 2008;

21. *Takes note of* the annual report of the Strategic and Advisory Committee for 2008, and *endorses* the revised terms of reference included therein, subject to the following modifications:

(a) Members of the Strategic and Advisory Committee, prior to their appointment, should be reviewed for any possible conflict of interest, consistent with decision 2008/37;

(b) In appointing future members of the Strategic and Advisory Committee, the Executive Director shall ensure that at least a simple majority of the membership has significant, relevant and recent financial or internal oversight experience;

(c) The Strategic and Advisory Committee, in fulfilling its advisory role in oversight, can perform any of the principal duties listed in chapter 5, at its discretion.

3 June 2009

2009/16

Report of the UNFPA Executive Director for 2008: progress in implementing the strategic plan, 2008-2011

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note* of the documents that make up the report of the Executive Director for 2008: DP/FPA/2009/2 (Part I), DP/FPA/2009/2 (Part I, Add.1 and its corrigendum, Part I, Add.1/Corr.1), and DP/FPA/2009/2 (Part II), and also takes note of the continuous progress made in aligning UNFPA programming with the UNFPA strategic plan, 2008-2011, in response to the national priorities of programme countries;

2. *Recalls* General Assembly resolution 63/232 on operational activities for development, which, inter alia, urges the funds and programmes to carry out any changes required to align their planning cycles with the quadrennial comprehensive policy review, including the implementation of midterm reviews as necessary;

3. *Extends* the UNFPA strategic plan, 2008-2011, to 2013, including the integrated financial resources framework and the UNFPA global and regional programme, 2008-2011;

4. *Requests* the Executive Director to include in future annual reports references to the baselines and targets of the outcomes and outputs of the strategic plan, 2008-2011, with a view to fully tracking progress in achieving these targets and outcomes;

5. *Requests* the Executive Director to submit to the Executive Board, at its annual session 2011, a midterm review of the extended strategic plan, 2008-2013, including the integrated financial resources framework and the UNFPA global and regional programme;

6. *Also requests* the Executive Director to submit to the Executive Board, at its first regular session 2013, a cumulative review of the extended strategic plan, 2008-2013, prior to the submission of a draft of the UNFPA strategic plan, 2014-2017, at the annual session 2013, and ahead of its formal submission at the second regular session 2013.

3 June 2009

2009/17

Funding commitments to UNFPA: report on contributions by Member States and others to regular and co-financing resources for 2009 and future years

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note of* the report on contributions by Member States and others to regular and co-financing resources for 2009 and future years (DP/FPA/2009/3);

2. *Welcomes* the increase in the 2008 regular income level of UNFPA and the increase in the 2008 co-financing income, and *also welcomes* the contributions made by programme countries;

3. *Emphasizes* that regular resources are the bedrock of UNFPA and essential to maintaining the multilateral, neutral and universal nature of its work, and *encourages* UNFPA to further mobilize these resources while also continuing to mobilize supplementary resources for its thematic funds and programmes;

4. *Stresses* that the financial crisis should not diminish the capacity of UNFPA to assist countries in achieving their development goals; and *recognizes* that strengthening the role and capacity of UNFPA to assist countries in achieving their development goals requires an increase in UNFPA resources in line with the projections calculated in its strategic plan, 2008-2011 and an expansion of its resource base on a continuous, more predictable and assured basis, as well as continuing improvement in UNFPA reporting on its effectiveness, efficiency, coherence and results;

5. *Recognizes* that sustaining and improving the UNFPA funding level will require countries that are in a position to do so to increase their contributions during the period of the UNFPA strategic plan;

6. *Encourages* all countries that are in a position to do so to make contributions early in the year and to make multi-year pledges;

7. *Emphasizes* that UNFPA needs strong political and increased financial support as well as increased and predictable core funding in order to enhance its assistance to countries to fully integrate the agenda of the International Conference on Population and Development into national development strategies and frameworks.

2 June 2009

2009/18
UNFPA evaluation policy

The Executive Board

1. *Recalls* decision 2007/40 on the UNFPA strategic plan, 2008-2011, and the UNFPA accountability framework, and decision 2008/37 on the UNFPA oversight policy, and *recognizes* that these documents lay the foundation for the UNFPA evaluation policy;

2. *Welcomes* the UNFPA evaluation policy (DP/FPA/2009/4) as an important step towards establishing a common institutional basis for increasing transparency, coherence and efficiency in generating and using evaluations for organizational learning and effective management for results, in order to support accountability and ensure impartiality;

3. *Welcomes* the emphasis of the evaluation policy on strengthening the evaluation capacity of programme countries, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 62/208, and *calls on* UNFPA to continue to conduct evaluations of operations at the country level in close consultation with national governments and to assist them in developing their national evaluation capacity;

4. *Welcomes* the continuing efforts of UNFPA to align the evaluation policy with the norms and standards for evaluation by the United Nations system, through the United Nations Evaluation Group;

5. *Approves* the UNFPA evaluation policy as presented in document DP/FPA/2009/4, subject to the provisions of the present decision, and *notes* that the mandate of the evaluation function is to evaluate the effectiveness and efficiency of UNFPA programmes and results;

6. *Reaffirms* that, in accordance with paragraphs 39 and 40 of the UNFPA oversight policy (DP/FPA/2008/14), the Executive Board receives information on the results of evaluations and provides guidance accordingly;

7. *Recalls* its decision 2008/37 and *urges* the Executive Director to ensure that the evaluation functions of UNFPA and the evaluations carried out by UNFPA, in consultation with national governments in accordance with the evaluation policy, are independent and impartial;

8. *Requests* the Executive Director to:

(a) Safeguard the quality, impartiality and independence of the evaluation function and evaluations performed in UNFPA;
(b) Appoint the Director of the Division for Oversight Services and the Chief of the Evaluation Branch in the Division for Oversight Services, limiting the term of their appointments to five and four years, respectively, renewable once, and barring re-entry into UNFPA;
(c) Ensure that the Director of the Division for Oversight Services has the independence to report directly to the Executive Board on evaluations led by the Division for Oversight Services, as well as to track follow-up of the management responses resulting from the evaluations;
(d) Ensure that the Chief of the Evaluation Branch in the Division for Oversight Services has the final say on the contents of evaluation reports issued by the Division for Oversight Services;
(e) Provide adequate human and financial resources for evaluation at global, regional and country levels, as well as strengthen an independent, credible and useful evaluation function;

(f) Ensure that all programmes, especially the country programmes, are evaluated at least once during their cycle, that management responses are prepared for all evaluation reports, that recommendations are implemented, and that lessons learned are built into future policies, programmes and operations;

(g) Submit for information purposes, a biennial evaluation plan to the Executive Board at its annual session 2010, bearing in mind the importance of linkages between evaluation and the UNFPA strategic plan, 2008-2011;

(h) Provide a separate management response to key and recurring issues identified in the biennial report of the Division for Oversight Services;

(i) Ensure the transparent dissemination of evaluation results, including making reports broadly available to the Executive Board and to the public, except in those cases where the reasonable protection and confidentiality of some stakeholders are required;

9. *Requests* that the biennial reports of the Director of the Division for Oversight Services, to the Executive Board, address the function, findings and recommendations of evaluations, compliance, quality of evaluations, analysis of the factors affecting quality, and the follow-up to evaluations conducted by UNFPA;

10. *Recalling* the responsibility of UNFPA to serve its beneficiaries and to add value to national development plans and priorities, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 49/128 on the report of the International Conference on Population and Development, and *recognizing* the linkages among evidence-informed methodology to improve programming, results-based management and evaluation, *requests* the Executive Director to develop guidelines on evidence-informed methodology to improve programming and to strengthen results-based management, and to include a section on these issues in the management response to the report presented by the Division for Oversight Services at the annual session 2010;

11. *Encourages* UNFPA to clarify roles and responsibilities within the Division for Oversight Services and with other divisions in UNFPA with regard to planning, implementation, supervision, quality assurance and follow-up, and elaborate how the evaluation function is distinguished from other oversight mechanisms, as well as clarify how evaluations differ from internal reviews;

12. *Requests* the Executive Director to submit a review of the UNFPA evaluation policy at the annual session 2012 of the Executive Board.

3 June 2009

2009/19
Overview of decisions adopted by the Executive Board at its annual session 2009

The Executive Board

Recalls that during its annual session 2009, it:

Item 1
Organizational matters

Approved the agenda and work plan for its annual session 2009 (DP/2009/L.2);

Approved the report of the first regular session 2009 (DP/2009/9);

Agreed to the following schedule of future sessions of the Executive Board in 2009:

Second regular session 2009: 8 to 11 September 2009;

Adopted the tentative work plan for the second regular session 2009 of the Executive Board;

Took an oral decision to postpone, from the second regular session 2009 to the first regular session 2010, consideration of the UNDP and the UNIFEM biennial support budgets, 2010-2011, and of the UNDP midterm review of the programming arrangements, 2008-2011.

UNDP segment

Item 2
Annual report of the Administrator
Adopted decision 2009/9 on the annual report of the Administrator, including the operationalization and extension of the UNDP strategic plan, 2008-2011;

Took note of the report of UNDP on the recommendations of the Joint Inspection Unit in 2008 (DP/2009/11/Add.1), and the statistical annex (DP/2009/11/Add.2) and its corrigendum (DP/2009/11/Add.2/Corr.1).

Item 3
Funding commitments to UNDP
Adopted decision 2009/10 on the status of regular resources funding commitments to UNDP and its funds and programmes for 2009 and onwards.

Item 4
Evaluation (UNDP)
Adopted decision 2009/11 on the annual report on evaluation in UNDP.

Took note of the following documents:

(a) Evaluation of the third regional cooperation framework (2006-2009) for the Arab States (DP/2009/14);

(b) Management response to the evaluation of the third regional cooperation framework (2006-2009) for the Arab States (DP/2009/15);

(c) Follow-up to management responses on evaluations, including decentralized evaluations (DP/2009/16).

Item 5
Human Development Report
Took note of the update on *Human Development Report* consultations (DP/2009/17).

Item 6
Country programmes and related matters (UNDP)
Took note of the first one-year extensions of the country programmes for Azerbaijan, Chile, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Serbia, Somalia and Zimbabwe (DP/2009/18, table 1);

Approved the second one-year extension of the country programme for Turks and Caicos Islands (DP/2009/18, table 2);

Approved the first two-year extensions of the country programmes for Barbados and the Organization of Eastern Caribbean States, Mozambique and the Philippines (DP/2009/18, table 2);

Took note of the following draft country programme documents and the comments made thereon:

Africa
Draft country programme document for Botswana (DP/DCP/BWA/1)
Draft country programme document for Burundi (DP/DCP/BDI/2);

Arab States
Draft country programme document for Lebanon (DP/DCP/LBN/1);

Asia and the Pacific
Draft country programme document for Afghanistan (DP/DCP/AFG/2);

Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States
Draft country programme document for Armenia (DP/DCP/ARM/2)
Draft country programme document for Bosnia and Herzegovina (DP/DCP/BIH/2
Draft country programme document for the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (DP/DCP/MKD/2
Draft country programme document for Kazakhstan (DP/DCP/KAZ/2)
Draft country programme document for Tajikistan (DP/DCP/TJK/1)

Draft country programme document for Turkmenistan (DP/DCP/TKM/1)
Draft country programme document for Uzbekistan (DP/DCP/UZB/2);

Latin America and the Caribbean
Draft country programme document for Ecuador (DP/DCP/ECU/1);

Item 7
United Nations Capital Development Fund
Adopted decision 2009/12 on the annual report of the United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF) and the progress report on the implementation of the strategic partnership between UNCDF and UNDP;

Item 8
United Nations Development Fund for Women
Adopted decision 2009/13 on the annual report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM) and the extension of its strategic plan.

UNOPS segment

Item 9
United Nations Office for Project Services
Adopted decision 2009/14 on the annual report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Office for Project Services.

UNFPA segment

Item 12
Annual report of the Executive Director
Adopted decision 2009/16 on the report of the UNFPA Executive Director for 2008: progress in implementing the strategic plan, 2008-2011.

Item 13
Funding commitments to UNFPA
Adopted decision 2009/17 on funding commitments to UNFPA: report on contributions by Member States and others to regular and co-financing resources for 2009 and future years.

Item 14

Country programmes and related matters (UNFPA)
Took note of the following draft country programme documents and the comments made thereon:

Africa
Draft country programme document for Botswana (DP/FPA/DCP/BWA/5)
Draft country programme document for Burundi (DP/FPA/DCP/BDI/7);

Approved the two-year extension of the country programme for Mozambique (DP/FPA/2009/6);

Arab States
Draft country programme document for Lebanon (DP/FPA/DCP/LBN/3)

Took note of the one-year extension of the country programme for the Occupied Palestinian Territory (DP/FPA/2009/7) and its corrigendum (DP/FPA/2009/7/Corr.1);

Asia and the Pacific
Draft country programme document for Afghanistan (DP/FPA/DCP/AFG/3)

Approved the two-year extension of the country programme for the Philippines (DP/FPA/2009/8, table 2)

Took note of the one-year extension of the country programme for the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DP/FPA/2009/8, table 1)

Took note of the one-year extension of the country programme for Iran (Islamic Republic of) (DP/FPA/2009/8, table 1)

Eastern Europe and Central Asia

Draft country programme document for Armenia (DP/FPA/DCP/ARM/2)
Draft country programme document for Bosnia and Herzegovina (DP/FPA/DCP/BIH/1) and its corrigendum (DP/FPA/DCP/BIH/1/Corr.1)
Draft country programme document for Kazakhstan (DP/FPA/DCP/KAZ/3)
Draft country programme document for Tajikistan (DP/FPA/DCP/TJK/3)
Draft country programme document for Turkmenistan (DP/FPA/DCP/TKM/3)
Draft country programme document for Uzbekistan (DP/FPA/DCP/UZB/3)

Took note of the one-year extension of the country programme for Azerbaijan (DP/FPA/2009/9, table 1)

Approved the two-year extension of the country programme for Kyrgyzstan (DP/FPA/2009/9, table 2);

Latin America and the Caribbean

Draft country programme for Ecuador (DP/FPA/DCP/ECU/5).

Item 15
Evaluation (UNFPA)

Adopted decision 2009/18 on the UNFPA evaluation policy.

Joint segment

Item 10
Internal audit and oversight (UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS)

Adopted decision 2009/15 on the reports of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS on internal audit and oversight.

Item 11
Field visits

Took note of the following reports:

(a) Report on the joint field visit to Cambodia (DP-FPA/2009/CRP.1) and its corrigendum (DP-FPA/2009/CRP.1/Corr.1);
(b) Report of the UNDP/UNFPA field visit to Nepal (DP/2009/CRP.2-DP/FPA/2009/CRP.1).

Item 16
Other matters

Held the following briefings and consultations:

UNDP

(a) Briefing on peace-building and early recovery;
(b) Informal consultation on the UNDP biennial support budget and the midterm review of programming arrangements;

UNFPA

(a) Special event on the 2009 United Nations Population Award;
(b) Informal consultation on the UNFPA evaluation policy;
(c) Briefing on reproductive health commodity security and the female condom, and the UNFPA-UNICEF joint programme on female genital mutilation;

UNDP/UNFPA

Luncheon event on the global financial and economic crisis;

UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS

Joint briefing on the implementation of the international public sector accounting standards.

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Day/date	*Time*	*Item*	*Subject*
Tuesday, 8 September	10 a.m. – 1 p.m.	1	ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS • Adoption of the agenda and work plan for the session • Adoption of the report of the annual session 2009
			UNFPA segment
			STATEMENT BY UNFPA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
		10	UNFPA: FINANCIAL, BUDGETARY AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS • Estimates for the biennial support budget, 2010-2011 • Report of the ACABQ on estimates for the biennial support budget, 2010-2011 • Revision of UNFPA regulations and rules • Report of the ACABQ on the revision of UNFPA regulations and rules • Update on the UNFPA policy on indirect cost recovery (decision 2007/15)
	3 - 6 p.m.	10	UNFPA: FINANCIAL, BUDGETARY AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS (cont'd)
			UNFPA COUNTRY PROGRAMMES AND RELATED MATTERS
		11	• Approval of country programmes • Draft country programme documents
Wednesday, 9 September	10 a.m. – 1 p.m.		**UNDP segment**
			STATEMENT BY THE ADMINISTRATOR
		2	UNDP: FINANCIAL, BUDGETARY AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS • Annual review of the financial situation, 2008 • Information on United Nations system technical cooperation expenditures, 2008 • Methodology and approach to the UNDP biennial support budget, 2010-2011
	3 - 5 p.m.	2	UNDP: FINANCIAL, BUDGETARY AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS (cont'd)
			Informal consultations on the UNDP and UNIFEM biennial support budgets, 2010-2011
	5 - 6 p.m.		*Informal consultations on draft decisions*
Thursday, 10 September	10 a.m. – 1 p.m.	7	UNIFEM • Report on the criteria for resource allocations • Methodology and approach to the UNIFEM biennial support budget, 2010-2011
		3	EVALUATION • Review of the evaluation policy • Evaluation of the cooperation agreement between UNIDO and UNDP and the joint UNDP/UNIDO management response
		4	UNDP COUNTRY PROGRAMMES AND RELATED MATTERS • Approval of country programme documents • Draft regional and country programme documents • Extensions of country programmes • Assistance to Myanmar – Note by the Administrator
	1:15 - 2:45 p.m.		*UNDP thematic debate*

Thursday, 10 September, cont'd	3 - 5 p.m.	5	UNCDF • Report on the implementation of cost recovery policy (decision 2008/21)
			UNOPS segment
		6	UNOPS • UNOPS Strategic Plan, 2010-2013 • Annual statistical report on the procurement activities of United Nations system organizations 2008 (decision 2007/38)
	5 - 6 p.m.		*Informal consultations on draft decisions*
Friday, 11 September	10 a.m. – 12 p.m.		**Joint segment**
		8	FOLLOW-UP TO UNAIDS PROGRAMME COORDINATING BOARD MEETING • Joint UNDP/UNFPA report on follow-up to recommendations of the Programme Coordinating Board of UNAIDS INTERNAL AUDIT AND OVERSIGHT • Oral reports of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS on the implementation of decision 2008/37 on internal audit and oversight
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	12 - 1 p.m.		*Informal consultations on draft decisions*
	3 - 6 p.m.	12	OTHER MATTERS • Adoption of pending decisions
		1	ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS • Draft work plan for 2010 • Tentative work plan for the first regular session 2010